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In claim **62** the following term was added at the end of line 4:

-- wherein the --

In claim **62** the following was inserted in place of deleted lines 5-6:

-- sugar moiety is 2'-deoxy- β -D-ribofuranosyl --.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Antoinette F. Konski on June 24, 2008.

The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Examiner notes applicant's amendments and has found them to be helpful but insufficient. As shown by the above amendments applicant has agreed to further amend claim **62** to limit the subject matter to the enabled embodiments. For this reason and in view of the submissions already on record, the instant claims are found to be allowable as amended.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably **accompany** the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ms. S. Anna Jiang, can be reached at **571-272-0627**.

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